Mail scheme targets California corporations

The Attorney General's office is looking into a mail scheme aimed at California corporations. The way the scheme works is that corporations receive mailers implying that they must fill out a form and pay a specified fee (usually \$125) to remain in compliance with California law. The mailers give the impression that they are sent by a government agency and that the fee is mandatory. These scams are operated under official-sounding names like Corporate Compliance Center, Board of Minutes and Resolutions, and California Corporate Compliance. The U.S. Postal Inspector is also looking into these deceptive mailers.

If your office receives any complaints regarding this type of solicitation, please forward the complaint to the Attorney General's Office at the Department of Justice, at the address below, or advise the complainant to contact the Attorney General's office. The complainant should send the original mailer as well as the envelope in which the solicitation was mailed.

Complaints may be filed with the Department of Justice by mail, telephone, fax, via the Internet, or by email:

MAILING ADDRESS: Attorney General's Office California Department of Justice Attn: Susie Lorden 110 West A Street, Suite 1100 San Diego, CA 92101

TELEPHONE: 1-800-952-5225 (Toll-free in CA) or (916) 322-3360

FAX: (916) 323-5341

WEBSITE: http://ag.ca.gov/consumers

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